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OFFICE OF STATE UNIFORM PAYROLL MEMORANDUM #2010-36

TO: All ISIS HR Paid Agencies

FROM: Andrea P. Hubbard

Director

SUBJECT: American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), COBRA Premium

Assistance Update

OSUP Memorandum #2009-44 advised ISIS HR paid agencies of the steps that will be taken to comply with the COBRA subsidy provisions of the ARRA and what entity will be responsible for completing these steps. With the passage of Federal Legislative Bill H.R 3326, COBRA Premium Assistance eligibility dates have been extended to February 28, 2010; therefore, OGB is required to notify certain current and former participants and beneficiaries about the premium reduction and will continue notification to individuals who terminate employment through February 28, 2010. In addition, the bill extended the period in which the individual may receive the subsidy from 9 months to 15 months. Refer to OGB Memo dated 1/22/10 sent to ISIS Agencies in reference to "COBRA Subsidy Extension".

Questions regarding the COBRA subsidy should be directed to either the agency's OGB contact in Billing or Eligibility, as appropriate. Other questions should be directed to a member of the OSUP Benefits and Financial Administration Unit at _DOA-OSUP-BFA@LA.GOV or (225):

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